

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Rick Jore, on January 15, 2007 at 3:01 P.M., in Room 137 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Rick Jore, Chairman (C)
Rep. Roger Koopman, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Holly Raser, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Norma Bixby (D)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)
Rep. Douglas Cordier (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Bob Lake (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. John Ward (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Michael Lange (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Donci Bardash, Committee Secretary
Susan Fox, Legislative Branch
Greg Petesch, Legislative Services Division

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 178, 1/10/2007; HB 181,
1/10/2007; HB 182, 1/10/2007
Executive Action: HB 121; HB 128

00:00:45 Chairman Jore

HEARING ON HB 181

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:56 Rep. Mike Jopek (D), HD 4, opened the hearing on
HB 181, 2 addition PIR days--content decided by local
board.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:05 Jerry House, Superintendent of Whitefish Schools

EXHIBIT (edh09a01)

00:07:53 Erik Burke, Montana Education Association-Montana
Federation of Teachers

00:11:37 Pete Carparelli, Montana Quality Education Coalition

EXHIBIT (edh09a02)

00:13:13 Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards Association

00:14:00 Darrell Rud, School Administrators of Montana

Opponents' Testimony: none.

Informational Testimony: none.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:15:54 Rep. Ward

00:16:08 Rep. Jore

00:16:18 Rep. Jopek

00:16:34 Rep. Jore

00:16:46 Rep. Everett

00:18:02 Mr. House

00:20:15 Rep. Everett

00:20:32 Mr. House

00:21:54 Rep. Lake

00:22:50 Mr. House

00:24:22 Rep. Lake

00:25:18 Mr. House

00:25:52 Rep. Grinde

00:26:11 Mr. House

00:26:52 Rep. Grinde

00:27:00 Mr. House

00:27:10 Rep. Grinde

00:27:17 Mr. House

00:27:32 Rep. Grinde

00:27:56 Mr. Burke

00:29:24 Rep. O'Hara

00:30:05 Mr. Burke

00:30:50 Rep. O'Hara

00:31:01 Rep. Ward
00:31:46 Mr. Burke
00:32:27 Rep. Ward
00:32:46 Mr. Burke
00:33:23 Rep. Grinde
00:34:21 Mr. Rud
00:34:35 Rep. Grinde
00:34:56 Mr. Rud
00:35:09 Rep. Grinde
00:35:26 Mr. Rud
00:36:22 Rep. Koopman
00:37:44 Rep. Jopek
00:38:39 Rep. Koopman
00:38:50 Mr. Burke
00:40:00 Rep. Koopman
00:40:33 Mr. Burke
00:41:29 Rep. Raser
00:42:19 Mr. Rud
00:42:59 Rep. Raser
00:43:46 Mr. Rud
00:45:15 Rep. Raser
00:46:03 Mr. House
00:48:09 Rep. Raser
00:48:20 Mr. House
00:49:25 Rep. O'Hara
00:49:50 Mr. Rud
00:50:24 Rep. Cordier
00:50:55 Rep. Butcher
00:51:24 Mr. Rud
00:51:56 Mr. Butcher
00:52:09 Mr. Rud
00:52:45 Mr. Butcher
00:53:55 Mr. Rud
00:54:24 Mr. Butcher
00:54:36 Mr. Rud
00:54:48 Rep. Butcher
00:55:09 Mr. Rud
00:55:20 Rep. Butcher
00:55:25 Mr. Rud
00:56:04 Rep. Butcher
00:56:28 Mr. Rud
00:57:03 Rep. Butcher
00:57:15 Mr. Rud
00:57:48 Rep. Ward
00:58:33 Mr. House
00:59:07 Rep. Ward
00:59:23 Mr. House

Closing by Sponsor:

00:59:35 Rep. Jopek

HEARING ON HB 182

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:01:36 Rep. Mike Jopek (D), HD 4, opened the hearing on
HB 182, Fund school technology, at-risk, and gifted and
talented.

Proponents' Testimony: none.

Opponents' Testimony: none.

Informational Testimony: none.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:03:57 Rep. Everett
01:04:28 Rep. Jopek
01:04:40 Rep. Ward
01:05:04 Rep. Jopek
01:06:23 Rep. Butcher
01:06:57 Rep. Jopek
01:07:09 Rep. Jore
01:07:14 Rep. Jopek
01:07:24 Rep. Butcher
01:07:53 Rep. Jopek
01:08:24 Rep. Koopman
01:09:41 Rep. Jopek
01:10:31 Rep. Lake
01:11:15 Rep. Jopek
01:12:11 Rep. Lake
01:13:05 Rep. Jopek

Closing by Sponsor:

01:13:41 Rep. Jopek
01:15:02 Chairman Jore
01:15:21 Rep. Wilmer
01:15:37 Chairman Jore

HEARING ON HB 178

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:15:52 Rep. Franke Wilmer (D), HD 64, opened the hearing on
HB 178, Revise laws and funding for university system.

[EXHIBIT\(edh09a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(edh09a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(edh09a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(edh09a06\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:27:08 Scott Martin, Students of Montana State University-
Billings

01:27:53 Jessica LaRoche, Students of Montana State University-
Bozeman

01:31:11 Mr. Burke

Opponents' Testimony: none.

Informational Testimony: none.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:33:23 Rep. Ward

01:34:12 Rep. Wilmer

01:34:33 Rep. Ward

01:35:01 Rep. Wilmer

01:35:46 Rep. Ward

01:36:25 Rep. Wilmer

01:37:01 Rep. Butcher

01:38:44 Rep. Wilmer

01:40:03 Rep. Butcher

01:40:22 Rep. Wilmer

01:40:48 Rep. Butcher

01:42:10 Rep. Wilmer

01:42:56 Rep. Butcher

01:43:16 Rep. Wilmer

01:43:38 Rep. Hamilton

01:43:58 Alan Peura, Legislative Fiscal Division

01:44:08 Rep. Hamilton

01:44:25 Mr. Peura

01:47:15 Rep. Hamilton

[EXHIBIT\(edh09a07\)](#)

01:47:40 Mr. Peura

01:47:57 Mr. Koopman

01:48:38 Rep. Wilmer

01:49:44 Rep. Jore

01:50:41 Mr. LaRoche

Closing by Sponsor:

01:52:13 Rep. Wilmer

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 121

01:56:25 **Motion:** Rep. Hamilton moved that **HB 121 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:57:00 Rep. Jore

01:57:15 Ms. Fox

01:57:28 Rep. Jore

01:57:49 **Motion:** Rep. Koopman moved that **HB 121 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(edh09a08)

Discussion:

01:58:32 Ms. Fox

01:58:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:59:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Lake moved that **HB 121 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion:

01:59:38 Rep. Jore

01:59:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Lake moved that **HB 121 BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 121

02:01:08 **Motion:** Rep. Raser moved that **HB 128 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:01:34 Rep. Jore

02:02:06 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

02:02:23 Rep. Jore

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ADJOURNMENT

02:02:57 Adjournment: 5:04 P.M.

REP. RICK JORE, Chairman

DONCI BARDASH, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([edh09aad.pdf](#))